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TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY, 1915.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 3rd day of *February*, 1915.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 29th day of January, 1915, in the words following, viz.:—

“Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions, or other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman, or Marine therein, shall be paid in such manner, and subject to such restrictions, conditions, and provisions, as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

“And whereas by Orders in Council dated the 8th March, 1895, and the 5th March, 1910, provision is made for the payment to Officers called into active service from the Reserved or Retired Lists in time of war or emergency of the pay and emoluments of their corresponding Ranks on the Active List, together with a bonus of twenty-five per cent. for every

pound of the full pay earned by them, exclusive of allowances:

“And whereas this arrangement is found to be inequitable in cases where an Officer's retired-pay exceeds the full-pay of his corresponding Rank on the Active List:

“We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to authorize the continued payment of retired-pay to Officers on the Reserved or Retired Lists called into active service in time of war or emergency, including the present hostilities, in cases where such retired-pay exceeds the full-pay of their corresponding Ranks on the Active List, together with a bonus of twenty-five per cent. for every pound of retired-pay received by them during the period of re-employment, exclusive of allowances.

“The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in this proposal.”

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed. And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly:

Almeric FitzRoy.